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What is claimed is:

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1. A golf ball, said golf ball having on its outer surface a clear polyurethane coating that is formed from a mixture comprising a surfactant, a base, and a drying accelerator further comprising at least two metal catalysts.

2. The golf ball of claim 1 wherein the drying accelerator comprises a catalyst containing zirconium.

3. The golf ball of claim 1 wherein the drying accelerator comprises a catalyst containing dibutyl tin dilaurate.

4. A composition suitable for coating a golf ball with a clear polyurethane coating comprising a surfactant, a base, and a drying accelerator further comprising at least two metal catalysts.

5. A composition according to claim 4 wherein the drying accelerator comprises a catalyst containing zirconium.

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6. A composition according to claim 4 wherein the drying accelerator comprises a catalyst containing dibutyl tin dilaurate.

7. A method for coating a golf ball with a clear polyurethane coating comprising the steps of:

- (i) providing a golf ball that is capable of being coated with a clear polyurethane coating;
- (ii) spraying the ball with a clear polyurethane coating mixture according to claims 4, 5, or 6.
- (iii) moving the ball into a heated oven;
- (iv) allowing the ball to remain in the heated oven for a period of time sufficient to dry the coating.

3. The method according to claim 7 wherein the golf ball is placed on a spindle on a chain that carries the golf ball past paint spray guns, and after being sprayed, the ball is moved along on the chain into a heated oven.

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